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LEAKY BUSINESS . . . Assistant Attorney General **Stephen S. Trott** was left cooling his heels for several hours at the Senate Judiciary Committee this month. The panel, which is conducting closed hearings on the nomination of Central Intelligence Agency General Counsel Stanley Sporkin to be a federal judge, excused Trott and adjourned after deciding to delve into intelligence "code words" so secret it was not clear whether the stenographer could be allowed to remain.

The committee has spent 18 months examining Sporkin's role in an FBI investigation of a CIA leak of classified information. Now the panel itself has become the subject of an FBI leak investigation over the disclosure of some of the details to The Washington Times.

—Howard Kurtz